

**REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Noel Ray Marchbanks et al. Confirmation No.: 2725
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NETWORKS

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

In response to the final Office Action dated 04/14/2009, please consider the following remarks and amendments. As this response is being submitted within two months of the date of the final Office action, the Applicant respectfully contends that the extension of time policy set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and MPEP § 714.13 pertaining to responses to final rejections applies to this response.